



September 1998 Newsletter for The San Luis Obispo County Four Wheel Drive Club
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SLO4Wheelers at Coyote Lake 98

Well we all made it back from Coyote Lake and it was another wonderful trip, and we got to drive on ROCKS !!!! I guess this is for the people who missed the Sept. club meeting cause we all seemed to take it out to the fullest, some of the stories got pretty DEEP..... Will H.

I would like to tell you we had a perfect trip but, some of our crew just plain had some trouble.

The old saying is "sometimes you beat the bear, and sometimes the bear eats you." I am not quite sure how old that saying is but it sure fits the bill.

If I recall correctly we had 3 or 4 groups with different departure times on this run. I think the first ones out the gate were the "**Z group**", with a few rigs, then the "**W J Hesh/ Kraven clan**", then "**the Smiths**", aaaah then finally, the "**I Brake Your Face Crew**", then it was the "**Peterson Out of State Currie Clan**" but last but definitely not the least, the solo run of the die hard, "**Coyote or Bust Joe & Son Crew**".

Whewww O.K. I guess it was more than 4, hope I got it straight , hey you get what you pay for. Well in the long run we almost all made it to Coyote Lake, maybe next year for those who didn't. I can only first hand relay what happened with the "**I Brake your Face Crew**" which I was a member.

We Headed out from Paso De Robles Denny's fine eatery around 8:00 PM, after all were accounted for and had all their supplies, Tent, food , etc. We all made it to Mr. Z's Sons place around midnight. To find all these apparently dead bodies and a pack of Bears, from all the strange noises. The race up the hill had quite a few wore out and we set up a quick camp.

In the morning we all got to check out the new luxurious, "Honey-Hut with a View" new hole and all !!! Mr. Z Had installed the new facility before our arrival. We packed up and were almost ready to roll around 8:00 am. When we hit the Speedy -Stop gas station in Shaver Lake, I think we were there for almost an hour !!! the guy behind the counter could almost move a little faster than a snail. But we were all topped off and ready to hit the trail.

We made it in to the sand flats and proceeded to tear unwanted tops, doors, etc. stuff from the Rigs and proceeded to the Red Lake Trail. The trail seemed a little tougher this year and I thought I saw a sign stating that they have increased it to a moderate from easy. All were having great fun, me wondering if I was going to roll the Pig AMC Beast, just from the weight from all the stuff packed into every available spot imaginable. As we continued down the trail I became accustomed to the added storage, and started to feel a little better.

We made it to Red Lake, and stopped for lunch, everyone seemed to notice the great number of ravenous mosquitoes attacking at will, but we have not seen nothing yet. Wheewwww this is starting to get like a novel but in all we headed up the rocks, lost a rig or two got them back to red lake continued on to Coyote. With new and not so sure rookies, who just plain had enough rocks, but continued on to the infamous Coyote Lake. Fearless and unrelenting, to be eaten at will by the swarm of mosquitoes hatching in the shallow water of the lake.

We set up camp and enjoyed the company of the few who had come before us, and were glad we stayed at Mr. Z's after hearing the

bug stories from the Sand Flats. I thought I heard Jesse say the bugs picked up him and his truck, and started to carry them off, but Will nailed them with some "Off" bug spray and they let Jesse go, and attacked Will all night.

We camped and met the Peterson crew Sat. and enjoyed the day, the bugs followed the Armstrong's out and must have been full from all the feasting. Cause by Sun. they were GONE.

I think some one counted 21 people at the campfire Sat. night. And a good time was had by all.

We headed out Sun afternoon, Peterson crew Monday, all in all it was a great trip.

Ray M.

SLO 4 Wheelers General Meeting Summary August 5, 1998

- **President**, Ray M opened the meeting about 7:10 PM. He asked for input on what the members wanted to do for the last three months of the club year. There was interest in the Christmas party and a club vehicle show. Rhonda moved and Darlene seconded that the club buy meat and we have a potluck at the vehicle show which will be affiliated with an event similar to the Spring thing. Ray will be heading up the vehicle show. He also announced that Frite Nite has been changed to the 24th of October. Ray also displayed the Fubar Flag, and presented it to Don and Rhonda S. Correction, he presented it to DON.
- **Secretary**, Kathy P circulated the roll sheet and took notes.
- **Treasurer**, Judy J, gave a great treasurer's report and provided a copy to each of the officers.
- **CA4WDC** Mark B has CA4WD membership cards. Mark also gave a membership report for David H. There are 63 paid member families. David apologizes for not being at the meeting, and indicated that his office will be up for grabs next election, as his family and the long distance he has to travel make it too difficult for him to carry on as membership director.
- **Events:** Randy P gave a report on the Coyote Lake Run August 15 with lots of help from the participants. Two suggestions for next year...have it a week later to avoid the sikorsky mosquitoes, and try to leave the sand flats at 8:00 to get ahead of the crowds. Local Run Night run with Ray to the pozo area Saturday night.

The Vehicle Show and Fall Campout will be October 10 probably at Turkey Flat like the spring thing, and will include the RTI ramp, BBQ with meat provided by the club, & vehicle games.

Frank and Donna A announced that they will be taking possession of a section of land in Atascadero whilh will be conducive to campouts and circulated a list for members to sign if they are interested in helping develop a capmpsite and roads. A new waiver was discussed to protect Frank and members.

- **Adopt A Trail**, Garcia Ridge chair, Jessie H plans to cover the trail some time this month.
 - **Membership** Director, Dave H was not present, but we had two people interested in joining. Kathy took their names and addresses and will forward them to David.
 - **Newsletter Editor**, Debbie K asks that contrubutions to the newsletter be in to her in a a timely manner, by Sunday night.
 - **Promotional** chair, Lynn S, not only had a table filled with shirts for us to buy, but he has dissplayed the new club banner. It's great! Also, watch Don S's vehicle, he should be flying a nice FUBAR flag soon.
 - **Social Committee:** Christy M offered to help plan the Christmas party. We're looking for a co-chairperson to help Christy.
 - **Safety** Jessie H, He provided copies of the safety form so the new members know what they need.
 - **Scrapbook**, Avanette Z brought in the Scrapbook. Ava has kept the scrapbook up with current pictures every meeting, and it is filled with pictures and newspaper articles. Check it out if you haven't seen it!
 - Old Business & New Business none.
 - **Board of Directors Meeting** will tentatively be held Thursday, September 24, 1998 at Dave Horvath's place in Nipomo.
 - **For the Good of the Club:** Sharon S brought up safety and red cross training. Brad J is certified, and volunteered to have some classes.
- Dave Hol. Donated a pickup bed trailer for us to convert to a BBQ.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathleen P.

EVENTS CALENDAR

10/10/98 SLO4WD VEHICLE SHOW

10/17/98 COLONY DAYS

10/24/98 FRIGHT NIGHT

11/98 PANAMINT VALLEY DAYS

RED ROCK RUN

12/98 CHRISTMAS PARTY



The SLO 4 Wheelers Vehicle Show

The date has been set, Saturday October 10

BBQ, Camping , Fun !!!!

The place- Turkey Flats

bring your Rig and join in your clubs own vehicle show.

- This year our club is going to cough-up the dough for the meat, and lets have everyone bring their favorite side dish.
- Your Club President, Ray M. has taken on this event, and **insists on Fun, lots of food, and plenty of good conversation, and maybe even some wheeling**, in our local National Forest.

On request there may even be some WORK for those who just don't get enough, or who would like to help. I wish I could do the whole thing for the club, but I am accepting any and all help. I think I have some things covered but could use a coordinator for side dishes, so we don't have a rabbit feast with ten billion salads. Help with the RTI Ramp, BBQ, Games, adult and kids, and whatever comes up.

- This event is open to all members, and prospective members. I don't want to insist, or make it a big deal, but if you could give me a call at and let me know if your are planning on attending the BBQ. It would sure help on how much food we are going to need. But don't stay home just because you did not call. Our club has room for everyone, and if we don't, will find some!!!

One of the main reasons Turkey Flats was chosen is that you don't need a 4x4 to get there. I know some time our Rigs just don't seem to run quite right, or are just down for repair. Bring your street rod / grocery-getter and we will be there.

Thank You, Ray

Fall Work Party- HELP WANTED

Frank and Donna A. are in the process of acquiring a good deal of real estate The terrain of the property varies a great deal, but most of it is steep hillsides with trees and brush. It is a real fire hazard in the summer and extremely muddy during the rainy season. Several old ranch roads (jeep trails) crisscross the property. The A.'s have offered to allow club access to the property for planned events. With some work from the club members (weak minds and strong bodies) it could turn into a great place for local runs. There are two year round springs that could provide water for a weekend campout.

At the September 2, 1998 meeting a number of members signed up as being able to help with the project. For those of you that weren't there, we are in need of:

- Workers
- Water type fire extinguisher s
- Tools and equipment for tree trimming, brush and grass removal
- Portable outhouse 1/2" to 5/8" steel cable to make a drag

As soon as cooler weather improves the fire hazard situation we can get in and to what is necessary to make this property a usable reality. Anyone who can help please contact Frank or Donna A. with information about what you can do and when we can expect to have your strong body available. We hope to be able to make significant progress this month. Thank You.... Frank and Donna

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ANNOUNCEMENT

THE PASSING OF THE FUBAR FLAG
Wednesday September 2, 1998
SLO4WD Club General Meeting
The current members in possession, Ray and Darlene M.
passed the
FUBAR FLAG
(and what a lovely flag it is..all purple with amber tassels)
TO THOSE MEMBERS DESERVING THE
HONOR
DON & RHONDA S.
CONGRATULATIONS

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Don & Rhonda S.
would like to express
their sincerest

APPRECIATION and THANKS

to all of those who helped them on the trail to Coyote Lake.

NEXT SLO County 4WD MEETING

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 7., 1998

PLAYERS RESTAURANT ATASCADERO 7:00

SLO County 4WD Club Board of Directors

President Ray M. **Vice President** Tom C.

Acting Vice Pres. Mike Jr. **Secretary** Kathy P.

Treasurer Brian E **Acting treasure** Judy J.

Ways & Means Jennelle T. **Membership** Dave H.

Events Randy P. **Land Use** Will H.

CA4WDC Liaison Mark B. **Newsletter** Debbie K **Social Committee:** Christ M

All other general members interested should attend!

SLO County 4WD Club BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 24,, 1998 6:00

Dave & Donna H's House

SLO 4 Wheelers WELCOME New Prospective Members

TIM S.

BRAD M.

Ted Miles Jeep

offers a 15% discount on all parts (& 10% off accessories like hats)
to club members who present their 1998 Membership Card!
Hes also got some GREAT DEALS on New & Used Vehicles

TED MILES JEEP/EAGLE

7380 El Camino Real

Atascadero 466-2411

FOR SALE

In need of a spare driveshaft?

Richard K. has recently installed a custom drive shaft in the Trex (**93 Jeep Wrangler**)
and has this extra drive shaft laying in the garage.

Call and talk to Richard K....if you are interested

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